

CLAIMS

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1 1. A method of determining style characteristics from
2 scanned data, the method comprising:

3 identifying characters within the scanned data;

4 comparing the characters to a style library containing
5 templates of each style characteristic to determine the style
6 characteristics for each character; and

7 saving the scanned data as processed data containing style
8 characteristics of the scanned data.

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1 5. The method of Claim 1, wherein the comparison of the
2 characters to a style library containing templates is performed
3 in the style characteristic order of font size, font, and font
4 style.

1 6. A computer system for processing scanned data, the
2 computer system comprising:

3 a processor;

4 a memory, coupled to the processor, storing instructions
5 that are executed by the processor to perform a method of
6 processing the scanned data, the method comprising:

7 identifying characters within the scanned data;

8 comparing the characters to templates of each style
9 characteristic to determine style characteristics for each
10 character; and

11 saving in the memory the scanned data as processed data
12 containing the style characteristics of the scanned data.

1 7. The computer system of Claim 6, further comprising a
2 scanner coupled to the processor and adapted to provide the
3 scanned data.

1 8. The computer system of Claim 6, further comprising a
2 printer coupled to the processor, and wherein the method further
3 comprises preparing an information sheet containing the style
4 characteristics of the scanned data, which is printable by the
5 printer.

1 9. The computer system of Claim 6, wherein the method
2 further comprises setting the style characteristics in a format
3 such that the processed data containing the style
4 characteristics is readable by a word processing program.

1 10. The computer system of Claim 6, wherein the method for
2 comparing the characters to templates of each style
3 characteristic is performed in the style characteristic order of
4 font size, font, and font style.

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1 11. A machine-readable medium for use in a computer system
2 having a processor for processing scanned data, the medium
3 having instructions that are executed by the processor to
4 perform a method of processing the scanned data, the method
5 comprising:
6 identifying characters within the scanned data;
7 comparing the characters to templates of each style
8 characteristic to determine style characteristics for each
9 character; and
10 saving the scanned data as processed data containing the
11 style characteristics of the scanned data.

1 12. The machine-readable medium of Claim 11, wherein the
2 method further comprises preparing an information sheet
3 containing the style characteristics of the scanned data.

1 13. The machine-readable medium of Claim 11, wherein the
2 method further comprises setting the style characteristics in a
3 format such that the processed data containing the style
4 characteristics is readable by a word processing program.

1 14. The machine-readable medium of Claim 11, wherein the
2 method further comprises comparing the templates in the style
3 characteristic order of font size, font, and font style.

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